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## <u>AMENDMENT</u>

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Sir:

This Amendment is being filed in response to the Final Office Action mailed from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on September 12, 2006 in the above-identified application. A Request for Continued Examination (RCE) is being filed concurrently with this Amendment. Reconsideration and further examination are requested.

An extension of time to respond to the Final Office Action is respectfully requested. A Petition for Extension of Time and the appropriate fee are being filed concurrently with this Amendment.

Please amend the application as follows: